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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MARR EG SA IS US  
SUBJECT: SADAT ON AIRCRAFT SALE

REF: (A) STATE 123877, (B) CAIRO 12980, (C) STATE 123875 '

1. IN MEETING WITH SADAT (AND VP MUBARAK) THIS AFTERNOON, HE EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION AT SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF SENATE VOTE. HE WAS ESPECIALLY APPRECIATIVE OF EFFORTS WHICH HE KNEW PRESIDENT CARTER, SECRETARY VANCE AND DEPUTY SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER HAD MADE IN PERSUADING SENATORS THAT SALE WAS APPROPRIATE AND WILL FURTHER ME PEACE PROCESS. HE NOTED THAT HE HAD THE PREVIOUS DAY SENT PRESIDENT CARTER A MESSAGE ON THE SUBJECT.

2. I EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR SADAT'S HELPFUL STATEMENT TO CHICAGO TRIBUNE. I NOTED THAT WE HAD BEEN ABLE MAKE GOOD USE OF IT ON THE HILL. I ALSO GAVE SADAT A COPY OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S PUBLIC STATEMENT (REF C).

3. SADAT WAS IN FULL AGREEMENT THAT A CONCILIATORY POSTURE SHOULD BE ADOPTED TOWARD THOSE WHO LOST IN SENATE VOTE. HE SAID HE WILL DO EVERYTHING HE CAN TO MAKE THIS POINT. HE INTENDS TO SEND MESSAGES TO SENATORS,  
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INCLUDING THOSE WHO LOST, SAYING THEY WILL NOT REGRET AIRCRAFT SALE AND THAT IT WILL BE A FACTOR FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

4. SADAT COMMENTED WE SHOULD START FROM NOW TO GIVE MOMENTUM ONCE AGAIN TO THE PEACE PROCESS. USG, HE ARGUED, SHOULD TAKE ITS ROLE AS A "FULL PARTNER," NOT

SIMPLY AS AN INTERMEDIARY. REAL PROBLEM WE FACE WITH  
ISRAEL IS PALESTINIAN ISSUE AND THIS THE ISRAELIS SHOULD  
TACKLE MORE SERIOUSLY THAN THEY HAVE HERETOFORE. USG  
SHOULD URGE THE ISRAELIS TO DO SO IN INTERESTS OF ACHIEV-  
ING A JUST AND DURABLE ME PEACE. EILTS

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